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SUBJECT: LAWRENCE LUNT

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 3045, (B) LISBON 1885

ROME FOR ILLING

1. SINCE CHANGE IN "CONDITIONS" REFERRED TO IN PARA 1 OF
REF (A) IS CUBAN EXPECTATION OR HOPE THAT PERALTA MAY BE
UNCONDITIONALLY RELEASED BY GOP, EMBASSY LISBON SHOULD,
AFTER CONSULTING WITH BELGIAN EMBASSY, DISCUSS CASE
URGENTLY WITH GALVAO DE MELO.

2. GALVAO DE MELO SHOULD BE APPRISED OF SUBSTANCE OF
REF (A), AND SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT WE HAVE REQUESTED
VATICAN TO SEEK REAFFIRMATION OF CUBAN 1971 EXCHANGE OFFER
AS HE HAD SUGGESTED (REF B) BUT THAT WE HAVE NOT AS YET
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HAD RESPONSE. EMBASSY SHOULD URGE THAT PERALTA CONTINUE

TO BE HELD AND EXPRESS HOPE THAT GOP WILL SOON BE ABLE
TO PROPOSE TO CUBANS, THROUGH VATICAN (AS RESPONSE TO
1971 OFFER) OR DIRECTLY, AS GOP DESIRES, AN EXCHANGE OF
PERALTA FOR LUNT. RUSH

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